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Director Responsibilities

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Director

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Department

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General Rules, Deadlines, & Address

**Send All Entries To: Alpena County Fair
627 S 11th Street
Alpena, MI 49707**

Since the State of Michigan no longer contributes to premium funding, this fair reserves the right to pro-rate premium payback up to 50% of the listed premiums found in this book.

Last day for entries will be July 31, 2026. Directors will be at the fair office on July 29th - 31st 6 to 8 p.m. to accept entries and answer questions. Checks must be made payable to: **Alpena County Fair Society.**

Entries received after July 31st @ 8:00 p.m. will be charged a \$25 late fee
NO EXCEPTIONS.

All Grandstand entries (the actual product, not the registration entry) will be accepted on August 15th from noon to 4 p.m. and August 16th 9 a.m. to noon.
Cut flowers & baked goods will be accepted on August 17th from 9 a.m to 1 p.m.

TB Testing is required for cattle. A negative paper copy TB test is required 60 days before fair, and you cannot unload without test papers.

Proof of negative Coggin's Test is required before any horses can be unloaded.

Poultry will be Pullorum tested before being put in pens. Cost will be \$1 per bird to be paid at time of testing.

Livestock may trailer in if the barns are full, or if it's specified on the entry page.

Optional Friday August, 14th haul in with the exception of Hogs and Poultry from 5-8 p.m. All animals **MUST BE** checked in before entering the barn.

All livestock, with the exception of Horses, must be in by **NOON**, Saturday, August 15th. Animals will not be accepted after noon without prior approval.

Horses must be in barn by noon Tuesday, August 18th unless given prior approval by barn supervisor.

All animals must be removed from Barns by noon Sunday, August 23rd. Release of exhibits: Saturday August 22nd, 2026 @ 10 p.m.

Grand Stand Items must be removed by noon August 23rd or will become the property of the Fair.

The most current Animal Health Plan and Guidelines are available at the Fair Office or MSU Office.

No dogs allowed in the barns or show areas, except service dogs.

Rules Governing Entries, Exhibits & Awards

Section 1 General

1. No weapons of any kind are allowed (including mace)
2. No Outside Alcoholic Beverages or Recreational Drugs allowed on the grounds.
3. Dogs only allowed in the camping area, unless the dog is a service dog.
4. No bikes or skateboards allowed outside of the camping area.
5. No outside ATV's, UTV's, ORV's or Golf Carts are allowed unless prior arrangements have been made with The Alpena County Fair Board.
6. No refunds for inclement weather.
7. Exhibitors should examine this premium/rule book to avoid misunderstandings, errors, and complaints. Read this carefully and when in doubt ask a Fair Director.
8. The Fair Board reserves the right to interpret these rules and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences.
9. The Fair Board reserves the right to cancel any Department or Division Premiums.
10. The Fair Board will do everything in their power to ensure the safety of all exhibits and displays, but under no circumstances will the Fair be responsible for loss, injury or damage by theft, fire, lightning, wind or by any other agency legal or otherwise.
11. Absolutely no soliciting for donations may be attempted outside of a commercial space rented for that purpose. Violators of this rule will be forced to leave the grounds with no refunds given.
12. Pop cans and bottles will be collected only by pre-approved clubs or groups.

Section 2 Entries

1. Entries must be made on the forms provided in this fair book (please feel free to make copies) or through Fair Entry. The link is located on the Alpena County Fair website.
2. The Fair Board reserves the right to reject any incorrect entry.
3. All entry fees must be mailed or delivered with their respective entry form.
4. All exhibitors must file their entry forms by the advertised cut-off date or face a penalty of \$25 per exhibitor. The advertised date will be listed in the front of the Fair Book.
5. Entries for group displays under the grandstand need to arrange for space with the fair office.
6. Exhibitors will receive their exhibitor envelope from a Director under the grandstands or the Fair Office prior to setting up under the grandstand, or after unloading livestock. The envelope will include their entry tags, exhibitor number, and any passes they are entitled to, this is also the time to arrange for additional gate passes.
7. Prenovice non-judged – non-premium will pay a \$5 Administration Fee for unlimited entries.

Section 3 Judging

1. Judges will be appointed by the Board of Directors.
2. The judges' decision is final.
3. Exhibitors who are not present for their class will be disqualified with no refund for that class.
4. The judge will be shown the utmost respect at all times by the exhibitors, failure to do so could result in a loss of premiums, and/or expulsion from the fair.

Section 4 Awards

1. Ribbons will be awarded for all places as listed for each class, unless otherwise specified.
2. Grand Stand judged items may receive ribbons – ask at information desk.
3. **Premiums will be paid according to the awards listed in the Fair Book.**
4. The Fair Board reserves the right to withhold premiums or deny an exhibitor the right to show this year or next, in instances where the rules and regulations have not been complied with.
5. **Premium checks must be cashed within 90 days after they have been written or funds will be donated to the Alpena County Fair. If a check needs to be reissued within 90 days, a \$10 fee will be charged.**
6. If you have an issue with your premium check, please bring it to the attention of the Fair Board by October 1st of this year.

Section 5 Livestock

1. **All livestock must be inspected by the barn supervisor before they are placed in their pens/stalls for the week.**
2. All Livestock are subject to be tested.
3. Disinfected pens/stalls will be provided. It is up to the owner of the livestock to feed and water as needed on a daily basis. It is also up to the owner to keep the pens/stalls neat and clean as needed for proper care. If an exhibitor fails to provide adequate care for their livestock then the Department Superintendent is authorized to hire it done at the exhibitors' expense.
4. The Superintendent or their assistant will be in charge during the exhibition.
5. All animals needing to be identified by ear tag or tattoo will be as such.
6. All animals not properly groomed according to breed association recommendations will be dismissed from the exhibition.
7. Superintendents may require that any livestock be isolated immediately if they appear to be infected with a communicable disease/injury. Vet examination will be at the expense of the owner.
8. If any damage occurs to the grounds or barns, owner/exhibitor will be responsible for the cost of repair.
9. All cattle must have a NEGATIVE TB Test with proper paperwork.
10. No livestock is allowed in the boat launch area during Fair Week.
11. No stallions are allowed to be stalled.
12. All horses must have a Coggins test with proper paperwork. (paper copy required)
13. Livestock must be in the possession of the exhibitor for at least 90 days preceding the Fair or have a signed lease agreement with the livestock owner.

Section 6 Drug Testing Policy & Procedure

The Alpena County Fair Board will deal with all drug protests on a case-by-case basis at the expense of the animal owner and the protester. A protest fee of **\$25** will be charged.

Section 7 Grandstand Entries

1. Building will open at noon each day of the fair and close at 9 p.m.
2. Fruits, vegetables, grains, etc. must be grown by the exhibitor.
3. All canned goods must be the product from the last 12 months.
4. Exhibitors must bring the bottom half of their entry form to claim exhibits.
5. Cut flowers and baked goods accepted on Monday, August 17th from 9 until 1 p.m.

Section 8 Appeals and Complaints

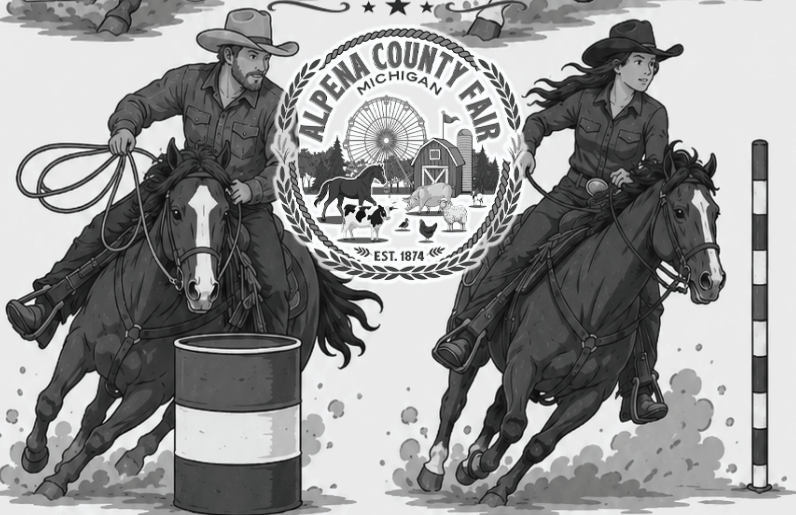
An exhibitor compelled to bring a complaint regarding conflict of interest of the judge, disqualification of an exhibit or exhibitor, group leader, or superintendent's behavior, or eligibility of an exhibit shall make a formal protest in writing to the Fair Board no later than ten days following the end of the fair.

All protests shall be referred to the executive board, which shall review the protest with the interested parties and give parties an opportunity to submit evidence. The party against whom the protest was filed shall have the right to read the statement of protest.

A report of finding shall be made to the Fair Board for final decision. The Fair Board shall issue an opinion within two weeks of receiving the recommendations from the executive board. An exhibitor may file an appeal to the Department of Agriculture within 45 days of filing the initial complaint if the exhibitor is not satisfied with the Association's action. The Department of Agriculture shall have 60 days after receipt of any appropriately filed appeal to investigate the complaint and issue a finding of fact and notice of department action and any recommended actions for the Association.



The **ALPENA COUNTY FAIR** **OPEN** **HORSE SPEED SHOW**



The Alpena County Fair Open Horse Speed Show

**To Be Held at the Alpena Fairgrounds
Saturday, August 22, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.
(Rain or Shine)**

**Sign up – one hour prior to show
(no entries taken 15 minutes prior to start)**

Chairperson: Pennie Wahoski 989-464-6864

Entries: Adult and Open Classes \$4.00 Placing 1st-4th 75% payback

Youth Classes ages 14 & under \$2.00 Placing 1st-4th 75% payback

Pony size is 56" and under

No leading through the Speed Patterns – except for leadline classes

Handler/Rider of stallions must be 18 yrs. or older

Exhibitor may be denied privilege of showing if horse is considered dangerous, or for abusive treatment of horse or unsportsmanlike behavior. Any disputes will be decided by the show committee. The Alpena County Fair is not responsible for loss or damage to personal property, horses, riders, etc

1. Pole Bending – Ages 20 & over
2. Pole Bending – Ages 15-19
3. Pole Bending – Ages 12-14
4. Pole Bending – Ages 8-11
5. Pole Bending – Ages 5-7
6. Pole Bending – Leadline
7. Speed and Action – Ages 20 & over
8. Speed and Action – Ages 15-19
9. Speed and Action – Ages 12-14
10. Speed and Action – Ages 8-11
11. Speed and Action – Ages 5-7
12. Speed and Action – Leadline
13. Keyhole – Ages 20 & over
14. Keyhole – Ages 15-19
15. Keyhole – Ages 12-14
16. Keyhole – Ages 8-11
17. Keyhole – Ages 5-7
18. Keyhole – Leadline
19. Cloverleaf – Ages 20 & over
20. Cloverleaf – Ages 15-19
21. Cloverleaf – Ages 12-14
22. Cloverleaf – Ages 8-11
23. Cloverleaf – Ages 5-7
24. Cloverleaf – Leadline
25. Dash Race – Ages 20 & over
26. Dash Race – Ages 15-19
27. Dash Race – Ages 12-14
28. Dash Race – Ages 8-11
29. Dash Race – Ages 5-7
30. Dash Race – Leadline
31. Jackpot Class – to be announced day of show*

***\$5.00 per entry for
Sweepstakes Class.**

75% payback to top time

4-H Rules Apply

Alpena County 4-H Youth Development Organization

"To Make the Best Better"

4-H is the nation's largest youth development and empowerment organization, reaching more than 7 million 4-H youth ages 5-19 years old annually. 4-H members engage in hands-on learning activities in the areas of livestock, science, healthy living and food security and more.



You're invited!

Alpena County 4-H Market Animal Sale

Friday, August 21, 2026

at 4:00 pm outside the Swine Barn

Please join us to help recognize and honor 4-H members for their hard work and dedication over the past year. Purchasing locally raised livestock from 4-H members is a great way to show your support for youth development and agriculture education.

For more information on the 4-H market sale please contact the Alpena MSUE office at eaglingm@msu.edu or (989) 354-9870

2025 Alpena County 4-H Market Sale Buyers

A & J Pools
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Alpena Ace Hardware
Alpena Agency
Alpena Buick
Alpena Furniture
Alpena General Store
Alpena Marc LLC
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Andy Nitzel
Anschuetz Chevy
Around the Clock Plumbing
Ball Tire
Bill & Leslie Davis
Brandon Whitscell
Brian Kane
Brian Knoch
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Brighter Moons Apple Farms
Brown's Wood Products
Bryan DeCare Masonry
Bryce Heatwole
C & C Excavating
C & S Carriers
C & S Dust Control
Cameron Family
Dave Gildner
Dean Arbor Ford
Dennis Wiecker
Denny's Painting
Devere
Discount Disposal
Don's Ford
Dziesinski Fan Club
Edward Jones/Andrew Kowalski
Eric & Katie Kasubowski
Evan Beyer
FIS
Fitzpatrick's Hardware

Freese Hydraulics
G & K Plumbing
Goodrich
Greater Heights HR
Green Acres Farm
Greenstone Farm Credit
Services
Hall's Serve All
Howard's Sawmill
Heavy Structural Preservation
Helena Agri Enterprise
Henry Heating
Holcomb Creek Holsteins
Hoppy Farm
HPC Credit Union
IMC- Travis Kaiser
IPEC
J & E Processing
J.D. Ag Solutions
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Jim & Diana Donajkowski
John Nowakowski
Josh Alderman
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K & K Farms
K & M Tire
Kolnowski Kustom Arrows
L & S Concrete
Lachine Auto
LaCross Portable Welding
Services
Larry's Collision & Truck Stuff
Lee Christian
LeFave Pharmacy
Lucas Dairy Farm
Lucas Farm
Luke Rondeau
MacArthur Construction
Maddie Feys
Mandy Wojda
Marine Market

Matt Winter
Meijer of Alpena
Morgan Sheldon
Nate & Lisa Blury
New Beginning Vet Service
Nitzel Family
Northeastern Welding Supply
Northern Oak Property
Maintenance
Paul Beyer
Plowman's Collision
Premium Hydro Solutions
Pure Water Well
Rick & Jayne Kasubowski
Rob Zielaskowski
Rotary of Alpena
Rummel's Insurance
Ryan Zbytowski
Ryans Excavating & Snow
Schiller Ranch
Seelye Farms
Shady Meadows Dairy Farm
Spec Stone
SRM Concrete
Standard Provision
Stanson's Floor Covering & Furniture
Sumerix Implement
Sunrise Fencing
Sunrise Veterinary Service
Tessmer Contracting
Tom & Sarah Nowakowski
Tony Grochowski
Weinkauff Plumbing
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Wolverine Credit Union
Woz Acres
Wozniak Excavating
Zann Brother Construction

Thank You to our 2025 Animal Market Resale Buyers

Halls Serve All
Beaudoin Farms
Ball Tire
Baldwin Family
Butterworth Dairy
4D's Farm
Evan Beyer
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Doug Krueger Family
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Ryan Zbytowski
Pure Water Well
Samantha Schmidt
Udell Livestock Trucking
Northern Oak Property
Maintenance
LaCross Portable Welding
Services
Jeff Thomas
Around the Clock Plumbing

Prusakiewicz Farm
Brain Knoch
Sweet Meadow Farms
Midwest Diesel
Lauren Wirgau
Lucas Hogs
Luke Rondeau
Ron & Rebecca Siegal
Jim & Diana Donajkowski
Pam & Rex Swope



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Premium Payback

Department	Entry Fee	1st	2nd	3rd
Showmanship	\$2.00	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$10.00
Beef/Dairy	\$2.00	\$9.00	\$7.50	\$6.00
Sheep/Goat	\$2.00	\$6.50	\$5.00	\$4.00
Swine/Alpaca	\$2.00	\$6.50	\$5.00	\$4.00
Horse/Pony	\$2.00	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$5.00
Draft Horse	\$2.00	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$5.00
Fowl/Rabbit	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$2.00
Open Horse Speed Show	\$2.00	<-----75% payback----->		
Homemaker	\$2.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$15.00

Grandstand Exhibits	Entry Fee	1st	2nd	3rd
Agricultural	\$2.00	\$3.50	\$3.00	\$2.50
Home & Family Living (Adult)	\$2.00	\$3.50	\$3.00	\$2.50
Home & Family Living (Youth)	\$2.00	\$2.50	\$2.00	\$1.50

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NEW



ALPENA 4-H MARKET LIVESTOCK

REQUIREMENTS:

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- ✿ All individuals planning to sell at Alpena 4-H Market Livestock Auction must have **ALL** Animals sold.
 - ✿ Any individual who earns \$2,000 or more from the sale of projects will be issued a 1099-MISC.
 - ✿ This is an IRS requirement, not a Michigan State University 4-H policy. Please consult with a tax expert regarding filing requirements.
 - ✿ **Please note that failure to provide a Social Security Number will result in ineligibility to participate in the auction.**
 - ✿ The system used to collect this information is secure, and all Social Security Numbers are encrypted.
 - ✿ If you have questions about this requirement, please contact Michelle Eagling
- ☎ 989-354-9870
✉ eaglingm@msu.edu



Department 4-H Market

- All classes are limited to Alpena County 4-H
- No entry fee
- No Premiums
- Market animals cannot be shown in breed classes
- To enter these classes, you must show in fitting & showmanship for that species

Section A Beef

Class

- 100 Finished Market Steers & Heifers Project
- 101 Finished Market Veal Calf Project
- 102 Feeder Calf Project
- 103 Baby Beef

Section B Sheep

Class

- 104 Finished Market Lamb Project

Section C Goats

Class

- 105 Finished Market Goat Project

Section D Swine

Class

- 106 Finished Market Swine Project

Section E Small Fowl

Class

- 107 Broilers pen of 2
- 108 Cornish Game pen of 3
- 109 Pen of Pullets – Egg Layers (new class 2023)
- 110 Pen of Pullets – Fancy (new class 2023)

Section F Large Fowl

Class

- 111 Ducks
- 112 Geese
- 113 Turkey
- 114 Pheasants pen of 2
- 115 Quail pen of 4

Section G Rabbits

Class

- 116 Rabbits pen of 3
- 117 Stewer Rabbit

Section H 4-H Market Book

Class

- 118 Market Binder

Department 1 Dairy Cattle

CANNOT UNLOAD WITHOUT A NEGATIVE TB TEST.

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Stalls must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.
- No Intact Males over 1 year of age allowed on the grounds.
- Purebred Dairy Breeds Only

Section A Showmanship

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in ALL classes.

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and older.

Section B Holstein

Section C Any Other Purebred

Section D Any Other Cross Breed

Class

- 106 Bull calf 12 months and under.
- 107 Heifer calf 12 months and under.
- 108 Yearling heifer 12-24 months.
- 109 2-year-old cow.
- 110 3-year-old cow.
- 111 4-year-old cow and over.
- 112 Dry cow, any age.
- 113 Three best females, any age.
- 114 Produce of Dam, 2 animals any age, any sex.

Grand Champion Female

(All First Place Females)

Section E Fun Classes - No entry fee, no premium

Class

- 115 Costume Class.
- 116 Jack Benny – enter day of show

Department 2 Beef Cattle

CANNOT UNLOAD WITHOUT A NEGATIVE TB TEST.

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Stalls must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.
- No Intact Males over 1 year of age allowed on the grounds.

Section A Showmanship

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in ALL classes.

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and older.

Section B Angus

Section C Hereford

Section D Simmental

Section E Limousine

Section F Any Other Purebred

Section G Any Other Cross Breed

Section H Dairy Breed

Class

- 106 Bull calf 12 months and under.
- 107 Heifer calf 12 months and under.
- 108 Yearling heifer 12-24 months.
- 109 2-year-old cow.
- 110 3-year-old cow.
- 111 4-year-old cow and over.
- 112 Cow with calf at side.
- 113 Best 3 females.
- 114 Steer any age.

Grand Champion Female

(All First Place Females)

Section H Fun Classes - No entry fee, no premium

Class

- 115 Costume Class.
- 116 Jack Benny – enter day of show

Department 3 Sheep

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Pens must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.
- Rams may trailer in the day of show only.

Section A Showmanship

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in ALL classes.

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and older.

Section B Suffolk

Section C Hampshire

Section D Polypay

Section E Hair Sheep

Section F Any Other Purebred

Section G Any Other Cross Breed

Class

- 106 Ram lamb under 1 year.
- 107 Ram over 1 year.
- 108 Ewe lamb under 1 year.
- 109 Ewe over 1 year, but under 2 years.
- 110 Ewe 2 years and over.
- 111 Pair of ewe lambs, same breed.
- 112 Ewe and lamb raised by her.
- 113 Flock, 1 ram and 2 ewes, same breed.
- 114 Best 3 ewes.
- 115 Wether any age

Grand Champion Ewe

(All First Place Ewes)

Grand Champion Ram

(All First Place Rams)

Section H Fun classes - No entry fee, no premium

Class

- 116 Costume Class.
- 117 Jack Benny – enter day of show

Department 4 Goats

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Pens must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.
- No Bucks over 1 year in the barn, trailer in for the day of the show only.

Section A Showmanship

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in ALL classes.

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7 year old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and over.

Section B Pygmy

Section C Nubian

Section D Alpine

Section E Any Other Purebred

Section F Any Other Cross Breed

Class

- 106 Jr. Doeling born after April 1st.
- 107 Intermediate Doeling born February 28th – March 31st.
- 108 Sr. Doeling born before February 28th to 1 full year.
- 109 Dry yearling doe over 1 year old, but under 2 years old.
- 110 Dry doe over 2 years old.
- 111 Milking doe under 2 years old.
- 112 Milking doe over 2 years old, but under 4 years old.
- 113 Milking doe over 4 years old.
- 114 Udder class.
- 115 Produce of Doe - 2 goats, any age, either sex.
- 116 Doe with this year's kid.
- 117 Wether any age.
- 118 Buck under 1 year
- 119 Buck over 1 year.

Grand Champion Doe

(All First Place Does)

Grand Champion Buck

(All First Place Bucks)

Section G Fun Classes – No Entry fee, no premium

Class

- 120 Driving goat, any breed.
- 121 Costume class.
- 122 Jack Benny – enter day of show

Department 5 Swine

****Market Hogs will be housed 2/pen/exhibitor****

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Pens must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.
- No Boars over 60 lbs., No Boars in Showmanship.

Section A Showmanship

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in ALL classes.

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7years old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and older.

Section B Any Other Purebred

Section C Any Other Cross Breed

Class

- 106 Boar under 1 year old.
- 107 Gilt under 1 year old.
- 108 Sow over 1 year old, but under 2 years old.
- 109 Sow over 2 years old.

Section D Fun Classes - No entry fee, no premium

Class

- 110 Costume Class.
- 111 Jack Benny – enter day of show

Department 6 Alpaca

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Pens must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.

Section A Showmanship

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in **ALL** classes.

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and older.

Section B Fun Classes - No entry fee, no premium

Class

- 106 Costume Class.

Department 7 Small Fowl

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Pens must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.

Section A Showmanship

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in **ALL** classes.

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and older.

Department 7 Small Fowl - *Continued...*

Standard

Section B American Class

(Plymouth Rocks, Dominique, Wyandottes, Javas, Rhode Islands, Buckeyes, Chanticleers, Jersey Giants, Lamonas, Hampshires, Hollands, Delawares)

Section C Asiatic Class

(Cochins, Langshans, Brahmas)

Section D English Class

(Dorking, Redcaps, Cornish, Sussex, Orpingtons, Australorps)

Section E Mediterranean Class

(Leghorns, Minorcas, Catalanans, Spanish, Andulasians, Ancona, Sicilian)

Section F Continental Class

(Hamburgs, Campines, Lakenvelders, Polish, Houdans, Crevecoeurs, LaFleche)

Section G All Other Standard Breeds

(Modern and Old English Game, Phoenix, Sumatras, Malays, Cubalayas, Aseels, Shamos, Sultans, Frizzles, Naked Necks, Araucanas, Americanas)

Section H Standard Mixed Breeds

(All mixed standard sized breeds)

Bantam

Section I Game Birds

(Modern and Old English Game)

Section J Single Comb Clean Legged

(Anconas, Andulasian, Australorps, Campines, Catalanans, Delawares, Dorkings, Dutch, Frizzles, Hollands, Japanese, Javas, Jersey Giants, Leghorns, Naked Necks, New Hampshires, Orpingtons, Phoenix, Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Islands, Spanish, Sussex)

Section K Rose Comb Clean Legged

(Anconas, Rosecombs, Antwerp, Belgian, Dominiques, Dorkings, Hamburgs, Leghorns, Rhode Islands, Sebrights, Wyandottes)

Section L All Other Clean Legged

(Ameracaunas, Araucanas, Buckeye, Chanticleers, Cornish, Crevecoeurs, Cubalayas, Houdans, LaFleche, Malays, Polish)

Section M Feather Legged

(Booted, Brahmas, Cochins, Frizzles, Silkies, Sultans)

Section N Bantam Mixed Breeds

(All mixed bantam sized breeds)

Class

106 Hen over 1 year old.

107 Cock over 1 year old.

108 Pullet under 1 year old.

109 Cockerel under 1 year old.

110 Young Pen, under 1 year old (consisting of 1 male and 2 females).

111 Old Pen, over 1 year old (consisting of 1 male and 2 females).

112 Hen with Chicks

Grand Champion Hen

(All First Place Hens)

Grand Champion Cock

(All First Place Cocks)

Section O Fun Classes - No entry fee, no premium

113 Costume Class

114 Jack Benny – enter day of show

Department 8 Large Fowl

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Pens must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.

Section A Showmanship

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in **ALL** classes.

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and older.

Geese

Section B Heavy (Toulouse, Embden, African)

Section C Medium (Sebastapol, Pilgrim, American Buff, Saddle Back Pomeranian)

Section D Light (Chinese, Tufted, Roman, Canada, Egyptian)

Section E Mixed Breeds

Class

- 106 Gander over 1 year old.
- 107 Goose over 1 year old.
- 108 Gander under 1 year old.
- 109 Goose under 1 year old.

Turkey

Section F Bronze

Section G White Holland

Section H Any Other Variety

Section I Mixed Breeds

Class

- 110 Tom
- 111 Hen
- 112 Jake
- 113 Jenny

Duck

Section J Heavy (Pekin, Aylesbury, Rouen, Muscovy)

Section K Medium (Cayuga, Crested, Swedish, Buff)

Section L Light (Runner, Campbell, Magpie)

Section M Bantam (Any Other Purebred)

Section N Mixed Breeds

Class

- 114 Drake over 1 year old.
- 115 Duck over 1 year old.
- 116 Drake under 1 year old.
- 117 Duck under 1 year old.

Department 8 Large Fowl - *Continued...*

Section O Pigeons

Section P Game Birds (Guineas, Pheasants, Quail)

Section Q Pea Fowl

Class

- 118 Hen
- 119 Cock

Grand Champion Large Fowl Female

(All first place females)

Grand Champion Large Fowl Male

(All first place males)

Section R Fun Classes - No entry fee, no premium

- 120 Costume Class
- 121 Jack Benny – enter day of show

Department 9 Rabbits

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Pens must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.

Section A Showmanship

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in ALL Classes.

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and older.

Section B Californian

Section C Dwarf

Section D New Zealand

Section E Rex / Mini Rex

Section F Satin

Section G English Lop

Section H Mini Lop

Section I Holland Lop

Section J Any Other 4 Class Rabbit Breed

Section K Any Other 6 Class Rabbit Breed

Section L Any Other Mixed Breed

Section M Fur Class (Open to any rabbit, judged on fur condition)

Department 9 Rabbits - *Continued...*

Class

- 106 Sr. Buck over 9 months old.
- 107 Sr. Doe over 9 months old.
- 108 Jr. Buck under 6 months old.
- 109 Jr. Doe under 6 months old.
- 110 Intermediate Buck over 6 months old, but under 9 months old.
- 111 Intermediate Doe over 6 months old, but under 9 months old.

Grand Champion Doe

(All First Place Does)

Grand Champion Buck

(All First Place Bucks)

Section N - Cavies (Guinea Pigs)

Class

- 112 Fitting & Showmanship All Ages.
- 113 Males.
- 114 Females.

Section O Fun Classes - No entry fee, no premium

- 115 Costume Class
- 116 Jack Benny – enter day of show

Department 10 Horses/Ponies

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Stalls must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- All horses shown must stay in the barn for the week of fair
- No Stallions.
- Horses may be switched out with permission of the barn supervisor.
- All horses **MUST** have a Negative Coggins test to unload.

Section A

- Exhibitors must show their own animal.
- Appropriate clothing for this species is to be worn in **ALL** classes.
- Immediate Family (living in same household) may share a horse.
The Horse may be used in all Showmanship Age Divisions.
Horse may **NOT** be ridden in like riding classes.

Class

- 101 Sr. Showmanship 15-19 years old.
- 102 Jr. Showmanship 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice Showmanship 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice Showmanship 5-7 years old.
- 105 Adult Showmanship 20 years and older.
- 106 Sr. English equitation 15-19 years old.
- 107 Jr. English equitation 12-14 years old.
- 108 Novice English equitation 8-11 years old.
- 109 Pre-novice English equitation 5-7 years old.
- 110 Adult English equitation 20 years and older.
- 111 Sr. English pleasure 15-19 years old.
- 112 Jr. English pleasure 12-14 years old.
- 113 Novice English pleasure 8-11 years old.
- 114 Pre-novice English pleasure 5-7 years old.
- 115 Adult English pleasure 20 years and older.
- 116 Sr. Stock Seat equitation 15-19 years old.
- 117 Jr. Stock Seat equitation 12-14 years old.
- 118 Novice Stock Seat equitation 8-11 years old.
- 119 Pre-Novice Stock Seat equitation 5-7 years old.
- 120 Adult Stock Seat equitation 20 years and older.
- 121 Sr. Western pleasure 15-19 years old.
- 122 Jr. Western pleasure 12-14 years old.
- 123 Novice Western pleasure 8-11 years old.
- 124 Pre-novice Western pleasure 5-7 years old.
- 125 Adult Western pleasure 20 years and older.

Section B Fun Classes - No entry fee, no premium

- 126 Costume Class.
- 127 Jack Benny Showmanship – enter day of show

Department 11 Horse Speed Show

- Judges decisions are final.
- No entry fee refunds - No equipment reruns - No excessive whipping.
- Horses may be ridden only ONCE in each event.
- 5 second knock over penalty.

Section A - Key Hole

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 104 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 105 Adult 20 years and older.

Section B - Pole Bending Class

Class

- 106 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 107 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 108 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 109 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 110 Adult 20 years and older.

Section C - Speed & Action Class

Class

- 111 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 112 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 113 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 114 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 115 Adult 20 years and older.

Section D - Cloverleaf Class

Class

- 116 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 117 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 118 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 119 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 120 Adult 20 years and older.

Section E - Dash

Class

- 121 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 122 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 123 Novice 8-11 years old.
- 124 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old.
- 125 Adult 20 years and older.

Alpena County Fair Schedule 2026

Wednesday, July 22nd – Fair Work Bee	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Wednesday July 29th - 31st – Entry Assistance.....	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Friday, July 31st – Fair Entries Due	8:00 pm
Sunday, August 2nd – Mandatory Pre-Fair Work Bee	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Thursday, August 6th – Youth Day	5:00 pm
Tuesday, August 11th – Fair Work Bee	5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Thursday, August 13th – Barn decorating	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

4H Family week pass \$20.00 Per Person
Non 4-H Family week pass \$25.00 Per Person
Gate Fee \$5 per person – 3 & Under FREE

Friday, August 14th

Optional Animal haul in.....5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
NO SWINE OR POULTRY

Saturday, August 15th

Animal haul in.....7:00 am - Noon
*Swine weigh in off the trailer.....7:00 am - 10am
Pullorum Testing.....8:00 am - 10:00 am
Large animal weigh in2:00 pm
Small animal weigh in.....9:00 am - 1:00 pm
All Livestock Exhibitor Meeting.....5:00 pm
*Location – Hog Barn
4-H Exhibitor Appreciation Dinner5:30 pm
Sponsored by: Farm Bureau & Robert Barriger Farm Bureau Insurance
4-H Has Got Talent @ Show Tent6:30 pm

Sunday, August 16th

Large Fowl show 8:00 am
Northern MI Fiber Festival.....Noon - 4:00 pm
Sheep to Shawl Demonstration
Location – Lawn outside Sheep Barn
Sheep Show5:00 pm

Monday, August 17th

Small Fowl show8:00 am

Hog Show.....4:00 pm

Tuesday, August 18th

Goat Show.....9:00 am

Alpaca Show not to start before Noon

Cattle Show

Beef Show.....4:00 pm

Dairy show.....not to start before 5 pm

Wednesday, August 19th

Rabbit Show.....8:00 am

Draft Horse Show11:00 am

Horse Pleasure Show.....3:00 pm

Thursday, August 20th

Small Animal Sweepstakes9:00 am

Horse Speed Show11:00 am

Large Animal Sweepstakes.....5:00 pm

Friday, August 21st

4-H Awards Breakfast.....10:00 am

4-H Market Animal Sale.....4:00 pm

Saturday, August 22nd

Open Horse Speed Show.....10:00 am

Department 12 Draft Horses

- Must be 5 years of age or older to show.
- Stalls must be cleaned daily by 10 am.
- No more than 2 entries/person/class.
- All horses shown must stay in the barn for the week of fair
- Stallions may be hauled in on the day of the show.
- All horses MUST have a Negative Coggins test to unload.

Section A Showmanship

Class

- 101 Showmanship 17 years and younger.
- 102 Showmanship 18 years and older.

Section B Belgian

Section C Percheron

Section D Mini Draft

Section E Grade

Section F All Other Draft Breeds

Class

- 103 Stallion over 5 years old.
- 104 Stallion under 5 years old.
- 105 Gelding over 5 years old.
- 106 Gelding 3 and 4 years old.
- 107 Gelding 2 years old.
- 108 Yearling gelding.
- 109 Weanling colt.
- 110 Mare over 5 years old.
- 111 Mare 3 and 4 years old.
- 112 Mare 2 years old.
- 113 Yearling Filly
- 114 Weanling Filly

Grand Champion Mares

(All First Place Mares)

Grand Champion Male

(All First Place Males)

Department 12 Draft Horses - Continued

Section G Hitch Classes All Breeds

Class

- 115 Men's cart or buggy class.
- 116 Ladies cart or buggy class.
- 117 5-17 year old cart or buggy class.
- 118 2 horse tandem hitch with cart or wagon.
- 119 2 horse harness hitch without cart or wagon.
- 120 Mini Drafts only 2 horse harness hitch without cart or wagon.
- 121 Ladies 2 horse hitch with wagon.
- 122 Men's 2 horse hitch with wagon.
- 123 Men's mini draft 2 horse hitch with wagon.
- 124 Ladies mini draft 2 horse hitch with wagon.
- 125 5-17 year old 2 horse hitch with wagon.
- 126 3 horse hitch unicorn with wagon.
- 127 3 horse hitch abreast with wagon.
- 128 4 horse hitch with wagon.

Section H Fun Classes - No entry fee, no premium

Class

- 129 Costume Class.

Department 13 Children's Livestock Show

Saturday August 22nd 2026 at 1pm

Sponsored by Jean & Doug Kowalski

General Rules

- All youth must be 8 years old or under and will not be showing during the week of the Fair.
- All animal health rules will apply.
- Animals may be brought in day of show or housed at the fair.
- All animals will be shown on a rope halter or harness, except hogs.
- Classes will be split if more than 8 youth are entered.
- Entries taken day of show only.
- Everyone wins something, no premiums.

Section A

Class

- 101 Beef and Dairy
- 102 Ponies
- 103 Sheep and Goats
- 104 Hogs
- 105 Rabbits
- 106 Poultry
- 107 Domestic Pet

Home & Family Living

Department 14 Senior 15-19 years old

Department 15 Junior 12-14 years old

Department 16 Novice 8-11 years old

Department 17 Pre-Novice 5-7 years old

Department 18 Adult 20 years and older

Section A Home & Family Living

Articles must be clean & finished. Articles will be judged based on beauty of design, neatness, and perfection of workmanship, suitability of material.

Articles can compete for one premium only. Only (2) TWO entries per class

Class

- 100 Sewn Table Runner
- 101 Sewn Bag
- 102 Sewn Clothing
- 103 Sewn Animal
- 104 Any Other Sewn Item
- 105 Knitting
- 106 Crochet
- 107 Embroidery
- 108 Needlework
- 109 Counted Cross Stitch
- 110 Quilts
- 111 Quilt Piece
- 112 Carded Wool
- 113 Spun Wool
- 114 Fleece -fine
- 115 Fleece -medium
- 116 Fleece -coarse
- 117 Knitting Project from Spun Wool

Section B Culinary Arts

Class

- 100 Jellies, Jams, Preserves - 2 Jars
- 101 Canned Fruit - 2 Jars
- 102 Canned Vegetables - 2 Jars
- 103 Pickles - 2 Jars
- 104 Juices - 2 Jars
- 105 Relishes - 2 Jars
- 106 Chili Sauce - 2 Jars
- 107 Salsa - 2 Jars
- 108 Canned Meat - 2 Jars
- 109 Butter
- 110 Cream
- 111 Soap
- 112 Honey
- 113 Lard
- 114 Maple Syrup
- 115 Any Other Homemade Article

Section B Culinary Arts Class Continued...

- 116 Bread (Should be 24 hours old)
- 117 Donuts & Fried Cakes
- 118 Cookies (6 per Plate)
- 119 Cake (Min of 8 inches)
- 120 Pies (1 Crust or 2 Crust)
- 121 Cake Decorating (Must be on a Real Cake)
- 122 Appetizer
- 123 Candy
- 124 Any other Baked Good

Section C Fine Arts

Class

- 100 Wood Working (Hand Crafted from Raw Wood)
- 101 Painting
- 102 Drawing
- 103 Expressive Arts
- 104 Dolls
- 105 Basketry
- 106 Ceramics & Pottery
- 107 Leather
- 108 Stained & Etch Glass
- 109 Weaving
- 110 Yarn Craft
- 111 Wire Craft
- 112 Macramé
- 113 Scrap Booking
- 114 Rugs
- 115 Jewelry
- 116 Metal Craft
- 117 Cloth Craft
- 118 Paper Craft
- 119 Model Craft
- 120 Wood Craft
- 121 Any Craft Made with Legos
- 122 Any Other Hobby Crafts
- 123 Best 5 Pictures of Prior Year's Fair (pictures become property of the Fair)
- 124 Semiquincentennial

Section D Industrial Arts

Class

- 100 Small Engines
- 101 Education Exhibit (notebook, poster, model)
- 102 Tractor Safety Exhibit
- 103 Welding
- 104 Auto Body

Section E Conservation

Class

- 100 Soil, Water, or Air Space
- 101 Forestry
- 102 Wildlife

Section F Recreation

Class

- 100 Camping
- 101 Outdoor Meals
- 102 Wilderness Exhibit
- 103 Archery Educational Exhibit
- 104 Firearm Educational Exhibit

Section G Safety

Class

- 100 Farm Safety
- 101 Firearm / Archery Safety
- 102 First Aid Safety

Section H Livestock & Pet

Class

- 100 Livestock
- 101 Vet Science
- 102 Poster/Notebook

Section I Trees

Class

- 100 Any Variety, 1 Tree

Section J Flowers

Class

- 100 3 Flowers with foliage attached
- 101 5 Flowers with foliage attached
- 102 3 Perennial flowers with foliage attached
- 103 Series of 3 pictures on a poster
- 104 Best Flower Arrangement
- 105 Best Vase Arrangement
- 106 Best Indoor Potted Plant
- 107 Best Terrariums
- 108 Best Dish Arrangement
- 109 Artificial Arrangement
- 110 Best Outdoor Potted Plant
- 111 Best Outdoor Herbs 3 Varieties
- 112 Stepping Stones
- 113 Garden Signs

Section K Landscaping

Class

- 100 Before and after pictures of work completed or other educational exhibit such as sketches, models, mounted on a poster board, or photo album.

Section L Photography Professional

Class

- 100 Black & White
- 101 Animals
- 102 Landscape
- 103 People (Still)
- 104 People (Moving)
- 105 Night

Section M Photography Amateur

Class

- 100 Black & White
- 101 Animals
- 102 Landscape
- 103 People (Still)
- 104 People (Moving)
- 105 Night

Department 19 - Agriculture

All seeds & grains must be grown in the present year, except clover.
Sheaves of grain bundles shall be 2-1/2" in diameter.
Only (2) TWO entries per class.

Section A Small Grains

Class

- 100 1/2 Peck Wheat
- 101 1/2 Peck Barley
- 102 1/2 Peck Oats
- 103 1/2 Peck Rye
- 104 1/2 Peck Any Other Grain

Section B Beans, Peas

Class

- 100 1/2 Peck Beans
- 101 1/2 Peck Field Beans
- 102 1/2 Peck Any Other

Section C Small Seeds

Class

- 100 1/2 Peck Clover
- 101 1/2 Peck Alfalfa
- 102 1/2 Peck Vetch
- 103 1/2 Peck Any Other

Section D Grains

Class

- 100 1 Sheaf Wheat
- 101 1 Sheaf Barley
- 102 1 Sheaf Oats
- 103 1 Sheaf Rye
- 104 1 Sheaf Any Other

Section E Hay

Class

- 100 1 Jot 1st Cutting
- 101 1 Jot 2nd Cutting

Section F Potatoes

Class

- 100 6 Potatoes, Red Variety
- 101 6 Potatoes, Yellow Variety
- 102 6 Potatoes, White Variety
- 103 6 Potatoes, Any other Variety

Department 19 – Agriculture - *Continued...*

Section G Corn

Class

- 100 Best 6 Ears, Sweet Corn
- 101 Best 6 ears, Field Corn
- 102 Best 6 Stalks, Sweet Corn
- 103 Best 6 Stalks, Field Corn

Section H Fruit Any Variety, Qty of 3

Class

- 100 Apples
- 101 Pears
- 102 Peaches
- 103 Plums
- 104 Grapes
- 105 Apricots & Nectarines
- 106 Melon smooth rind
- 107 Melon textured rind
- 108 Any other fruit
- 109 Nuts, qty of 8

Section I Root & Vegetable

Class

- 100 Box of 3 kinds of vegetables
(Pre Novice & Novice Exhibitors 6-11 years old)
- 101 Box of 5 kinds of vegetables
(Jr. Exhibitors 12-14 years old)
- 102 Box of 8 kinds of vegetables
(Sr. & Adult Exhibitors 15 years & older)
- 103 Asparagus 6 stalks
- 104 Beans, any variety qty 6
- 105 Beets, any variety qty 6
- 106 Carrots, any variety qty 6
- 107 Broccoli 1 head
- 108 Cauliflower 1 head
- 109 Cabbage 1 head
- 110 Celery 1 bunch
- 111 Cucumber, slicing qty 3
- 112 Cucumber, pickling qty 3
- 113 Dill 1 plant of 6 heads with stalks
- 114 Garlic qty 3
- 115 Gourds, any variety qty 3
- 116 Kale, 1 bunch
- 117 Kohlrabi qty 3
- 118 Lettuce 1 bunch
- 119 Spinach 1 bunch
- 120 Onions, any variety qty 3
- 121 Herbs 3 varieties

Section I Root & Vegetables - Continued...

Class

- 122 Peppers, hot qty 3
- 123 Peppers, sweet qty 3
- 124 Pumpkin, pie variety qty 1
- 125 Pumpkin, field variety qty 1
- 126 Peas, any variety qty 6
- 127 Radish, any variety qty 6
- 128 Rhubarb 6 stems
- 129 Rutabagas qty 1
- 130 Squash, winter variety qty 1
- 131 Squash, summer variety qty 1
- 132 Sunflower 1 head with stalk in bucket
- 133 Tomatoes, slicing variety qty 3
- 134 Tomatoes, salad variety qty 3
- 135 Tomatoes, canning variety qty 3
- 136 Biggest Pumpkin
- 137 Any other Vegetable, qty 2

Section J - Eggs (1 Dozen)

Class

- 100 White
- 101 Brown
- 102 Any Other Color
- 103 Duck
- 104 Quail

4-H Has Got Talent

Saturday August 15th, 2026 – 6:30 p.m. in Show Tent

Being able to present oneself in front of family, friends, and peers, is crucial to becoming a successful adult. With “4-H’s Got Talent” you can practice exactly that in demonstration, public speaking, and performing arts competition categories.

Whether you want to show us how to make your favorite dish, give us your opinion on the ag industry, or entertain us with song or comedy, participating in this event will help you make your best better!

Department 4-H

Section H Public Speaking

(Speeches should be from 3-5 minutes long)

Class

- 101 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 102 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 103 Novice 8-11 years old.

Section I Demonstration

(Demonstrations should be less than 10 minutes in length)

Class

- 104 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 105 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 106 Novice 8-11 years old.

Section J Performing Arts Class

- 107 Senior 15-19 years old.
- 108 Junior 12-14 years old.
- 109 Novice 8-11 years old.

Section K 250th Year of America Tribute Semiquincentennial

- 250A Senior 15-19 years old.
- 250B Junior 12-14 years old.
- 250C Novice 8-11 years old.

Department 20 Homemaker

Section A

Class

- 100 Homemakers of today have either full time homemaking careers or may combine this with a career outside of their home. Your written entry will reflect how you cope with some of the problems of our complex and rapidly changing world. Alpena County Fair would like to recognize the homemakers of today. Open to either gender. Winners will be notified.

Send Entry To:

Homemaker of the Year Contest
Alpena County Fair
627 S 11th Street
Alpena, MI 49707

Rules:

1. Resident of Alpena County ages 17 & older
2. Type or write your entry.
3. Entries become the property of the Alpena County Fair
4. Exhibitors must enter 1 item in 5 of the 7 following categories:
 - Baking
 - Canning
 - Clothing (knitting, crocheting, needle work)
 - Hobbies (painting, woodworking, scrap booking, dolls, etc.)
 - Design/Decorating
 - Gardening
 - Volunteer Involvement (picture collage with captions, letters from officials verifying Homemaker's efforts)

Best Kept Club Area & Decorated Club Area

Department 21 - Barn Area Only

Section A Best Kept Club Area

- Judged all Fair Week by Barn Supervisors & Livestock Committee.
- 1 entry per barn, per club under club leaders name.
- Premium payback paid to club leader (1st Place - \$25, 2nd Place - \$15).
- Acknowledgment will be given on Friday at Awards.

Department 21 - Barn Area Only

Class

- 100 Rabbit Barn
101 Poultry Barn
102 Sheep/Goat Barn
103 Hog Barn
104 Cattle Barn
105 Horse Barn

Department 21 - Barn Area Only - *Continued...*

Section B Best Decorated Club

- Judged on Sunday of Fair.
- 1 entry per club under club leaders name.
- Premium payback paid to club leader
(Overall 1st Place - \$100, Overall 2nd Place - \$50).
- Signs will be given to display for each barn,
premiums will be paid for Overall Best.

Class

- 100 Rabbit Barn
- 101 Poultry Barn
- 102 Sheep/Goat Barn
- 103 Hog Barn
- 104 Cattle Barn
- 105 Horse Barn

Department 22 - Under Grandstand

Section A Best Decorated Club Area

- Judged on Tuesday of Fair.
- 1 entry per club under club leaders name.
- Premium payback paid to club leader (1st Place - \$30, 2nd Place - \$20).

Class

- 100 Best Decorated Club Area

Department 23

Section A Cutest Pet Contest

Class

- 100 All Entries – any species
See page 44 for more information.

Alpena County Fair Stall/Pen Reservation

Final Pen Reservations will be taken at the 4H Mandatory Work Bee on August 2nd.

- Visit the Pen reservation table to reserve
- Pen reservations must be done by club leaders
- If you do not have a club, individual reservations will be accepted. Those pen reservations must be emailed to alpenafairboard@gmail.com by August 2nd.
 - Call Courtney with any questions 989-255-8601
- In the event that space is available, each barn supervisor will determine if any tack stalls are to be permitted on a barn-by-barn basis.



Alpena County Fair

FAIRENTRY

IMPORTANT W-9 INFORMATION



We will be collecting Social Security numbers for W-9 purposes through FairEntry this year instead of using the paper W-9 forms that were previously discussed at the market meeting.

FairEntry



PLEASE READ ALL STEPS



1



USE YOUR 4-H ONLINE LOGIN

by selecting the green box on the login page.

2



ENTER YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

- If left blank, a paper W-9 will be required.
- Social Security numbers cannot be provided verbally for staff entry.

3



REVIEW AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE DISCLAIMER

- Confirms your SSN was entered if you plan to sell in the auction.
- If you forgot to enter your SSN, return to Step 2 and enter it before proceeding.

4



FAIR ENTRIES

Add all still exhibit and animal entries before completing registration.

5



SHOWMANSHIP AND MARKET CLASSES

Register for showmanship and market classes for each species you are exhibiting.

6



COMPLETE YOUR REGISTRATION

After entering all exhibits:

- 1 Click Continue to Payment
- 2 Click Continue
- 3 Click Continue again
- 4 Click the green **SUBMIT** button

SUBMIT



Payment may be dropped off in an envelope at the Fair Office.

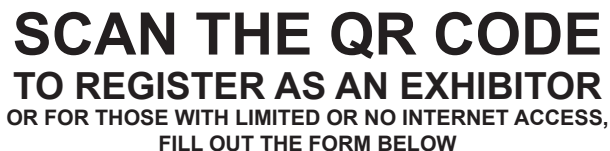


IMPORTANT: Your registration is **NOT COMPLETE** until you click the green **SUBMIT** button!



THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THESE STEPS AND COMPLETE YOUR REGISTRATION ACCURATELY!





(For Exhibitors with no internet access)

Alpena County Fair

627 S. 11th Ave. • Alpena, MI 49707

Exhibitor Name: _____

Address:

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Phone: _____

Club Name: _____ Leader Name: _____

REQUIRED EMAIL:

STOP!! Double Check the Above Information, All Contact Information Must Be Filled Out Completely to Ensure You Get Your Premium Checks

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Alpena County Fair Society Event Registration

People planning to participate **MUST** bring this to the event to participate.

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____ DOB: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Description of Event: _____

Release and Waiver of Liability

I hereby apply to participate in the Alpena County Fair Society Event described above. I understand that participating in the event may expose me to above normal risks of injury or harm.

I represent that I have no health or physical problems that will interfere with my participation in the event. I agree that I am responsible for my own safety. I hereby assume all risks associated with my attendance and participation in the event shall be at my sole risk and decisions as to whether or how I use the facility shall entirely be my responsibility.

I hereby fully and forever release, discharge, and agree not to sue the Alpena County Fair Society, or any other sponsors (hereafter called "event sponsors") their officers, directors, agents, employees, representatives, and successors for any and all claims, causes or action or liability for any injury, loss, or damage sustained or incurred by me arising out of or in any way associated with my attendance at or participation in the event, including all claims, causes of action of liability arising out of the negligence of event sponsor, their agents or representatives. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless event sponsors, their agents, or representatives, from any loss, damage, or expenses sustained or incurred by them arising from any such claims, cause of action or liability, whether brought by me, anyone acting on my behalf, or anyone else because of conduct attributed to me.

I agree that this agreement shall be construed and interpreted according to the law of the State of Michigan. I understand and agree that this Release and Waiver shall be binding upon my heirs, assigns and any personal entity acting on my behalf, including a parent, guardian, or next of kin.

I have read the above items of the Release and Waiver, understand them, agree to abide by them, and hereby acknowledge that I have read and understand this Release and Waiver.

I am at least 18 years old _____
(Signature)

Participant _____ is less than 18 years old.

I sign this release on his/her behalf: _____
(Signature)

Medical Treatment Release (Required for Minors)

As a parent/Guardian, I hereby do authorize the treatment by a qualified and licensed medical doctor in an emergency, which, in the opinion of the attending physician, may endanger his/her life, cause disfigurement, physical impairment, or undue discomfort if delayed. This authority is only granted after a reasonable effort has been made to reach me.

Health Insurance Company: _____

Policy: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Media Release

I hereby waive any rights or interest in the images or recordings, as contemplated in this release. I acknowledge that this consent to use images and/or recordings is being made solely for the benefit of the organization and comes without any expectation of monetary compensation or other benefit to me.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Want to become a Fair Board Member?

The Alpena County Fair Board is reaching out to the Community for volunteers to join us.

Volunteers are chosen by the Alpena County Fair Society at the November Annual Meeting.

Fair Board Members are responsible for planning, scheduling, and overseeing the annual Alpena County Fair

Meetings are held on a monthly basis and increase as fair time approaches.

Requirements:

- Must be 18 years of age or older and reside in the Alpena School District
- Must be a member of the Alpena County Fair Society (please see a current Director for membership) and attend a minimum of 6 monthly meetings throughout the year.
- A letter of intent is required to be received at the Alpena County Fair Office by October 1st.
- Attendance at the November Annual Meeting of the Fair Society is highly recommended.
- Only one Fair Board Member per immediate family may serve on the board.

Please consider joining us to help make the Alpena County Fair
a successful event for our Community!

Application to become a Member of the Alpena County Fair Society

Name(s) _____

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please include \$5 per person for Membership

Send to:

Alpena County Fair Society
627 S 11th Ave.
Alpena, MI 49707

Cutest Pet Contest

Submit (2) identical 4x6 photos of your Cutest Pet
(pet photos only) with a \$5 entry fee.

Enter through Fair Book - Department 23 Section A
Cutest Pet Contest - Class 100 – All Entries – Any Species

Any pet qualifies and will be voted on
by the Public with cash donations.

Winner will receive all funds collected by their pet –
other donations will be for future fair events.

Entries & Pictures must be submitted by August 1st, 2025.

Winner to be announced Saturday, August 16th at
5:00 pm in front of Grandstands.

Any questions please contact Cindy Krentz

2025 Cutest Pet Contest Winner!



♥'d & Owned by the Howard Family

2026 Honorary Fair Personality

Harry Werth!

For more than 50 years, Harry Werth was an integral part of the Alpena County Fair, following in the footsteps of his father, Victor Werth, who also dedicated many years of service to the fair.



There are countless memories of Harry at the fairgrounds - far too many to mention. Whether he was working in the barns and outbuildings, maintaining the track lighting, campsite electrical hookups, security lights, or ensuring the grandstand had the power needed for every event, Harry was always there. He made certain everything worked when it was needed. During fair week, he never seemed to stop moving, traveling from one project to the next, always finding time to visit with friends and fairgoers along the way.

Harry's commitment to serving others extended far beyond the fairgrounds. He was a charter member of the Alpena Public Schools Citizens Advisory Committee, serving for more than 25 years, and quietly volunteered behind the scenes for many community organizations and events.

The belief that *"Community service is the price we pay for taking up space on earth"* was instilled in Harry by his parents, Victor and Maria Werth. Following their example, service became a way of life. As a lifelong member of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Harry faithfully served on numerous committees and in many different capacities. Like everything else he did, his service to the Alpena County Fair was given quietly, humbly, and always with a smile. He generously shared his knowledge, expertise, and time simply because he wanted to make fair week a better experience for everyone.

Many of us also remember Harry alongside his wife, Sandra. She faithfully packed and delivered his meals while he was busy keeping the fair running, and together they enjoyed attending the many 4-H events throughout the week. They proudly supported the 4-H program by purchasing market animals over the years, taking time to meet the young exhibitors and encourage their hard work. Fair week wouldn't have been complete without Sandra's family making sure there were elephant ears, Tony Burgers, and Mr. B's sausages with homemade potato chips on the menu.

When Harry wrote his own obituary, he insisted that it end with these words:

"Harry wishes to be remembered as he was in life - as a good friend to all."

On behalf of the Alpena County Fair Board, we can say with certainty that Harry was much more than a volunteer. He was a mentor, a faithful servant, and a treasured friend. His quiet dedication, unwavering work ethic, and generous heart helped make our fair what it is today.

Harry was, indeed, a good friend to all. He will be deeply missed, fondly remembered, and forever appreciated by the Alpena County Fair Board and by the countless lives he touched.





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